Enhance Iowa Board Senate File 2308

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An Act relating to economic development by establishing an enhance Iowa board to assume the powers and duties of the vision Iowa board and additional powers and duties, establishing an enhance Iowa fund, establishing a sports tourism program and fund, making appropriations, and including transition provisions.

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

ENHANCE IOWA BOARD

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Community Attraction and Tourism Program Application Review Committee	

Specifies the five members of the Community Attraction and Tourism Program Application Review Committee will consist of one member from each congressional district and one member from the state at large.

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Departmental Grant Application Review Committee

Requires applications for Discretionary Departmental Grants to be submitted to the Authority. The Authority will forward the applications that meet the eligibility criteria to the Enhance Iowa Board and provide a staff review analysis and evaluation to the Departmental Grant Application Review Committee.

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Specifies the six members of the Departmental Grant Application Review Committee are to consist of one member from each congressional district and two members from the state at large.

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Enhance Iowa Appropriation

Makes a contingent General Fund appropriation of \$25.0 million to the Authority for deposit in the Enhance Iowa Fund. The appropriation is made only in a fiscal year if the maximum balance of the Iowa Economic Emergency Fund is satisfied, any required transfers to the Taxpayer Trust Fund are satisfied, as specified in Iowa Code section 8.55(2), and the amount available for transfer to the General Fund exceeds \$100.0 million. The first appropriation could be made for FY 2017 if the contingency is satisfied. The appropriations will continue until 10 appropriations have actually occurred totaling \$250.0 million.

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Enhance Iowa Board

Changes the name of the Vision Iowa Board to the Enhance Iowa Board.

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Replaces the Vision Iowa Board with the Enhance Iowa Board under the purview of the Iowa Economic Development Authority.

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Specifies the Enhance Iowa Board duties will include the oversight of the Sports Tourism Program and the River Enhancement Community Attraction and Tourism Program.

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ENHANCE IOWA BOARD

Enhance Iowa Fund

Establishes the Enhance Iowa Fund. Page 4, Line 3

Sports Tourism Application Review Committee

Requires applications for Sports Tourism Program grants to be submitted to the Authority. The Authority will forward the applications that meet the eligibility criteria to the Enhance Iowa Board and provide a staff review analysis and evaluation to the Sports Tourism Application Review Committee.

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Specifies the five members of the Sports Tourism Program Application Review Committee are to consist of one member from each congressional district and one member from the state at large.

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Sports Tourism Fund

Establishes the Sports Tourism Fund within the Authority for the purpose of providing financial assistance to cities, counties, and public organizations under the Sports Tourism Program.

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Sports Tourism Program

Requires the Authority to establish and administer, at the direction of the Enhance Iowa Board, a Sports Tourism Program for the purpose of providing financial assistance for projects that promote sporting events for accredited colleges and universities and other sporting events in the state.

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Transition Provisions

Requires the Authority to transition the powers and duties of the Vision Iowa Board to the Enhance Iowa Board. Initial members of the Enhance Iowa Board to be appointed by September 1, 2016. Specifies the intent of the General Assembly that the Governor appoint at least three, but not more than seven, members of the Vision Iowa Board to the Enhance Iowa Board.

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Vision Iowa Program Applications and RE-CAT Project Applications Review Committee

Specifies the six members of the Vision Iowa Program Applications and River Enhancement Community Attraction and Tourism (RE-CAT) Project Applications Review Committee will consist of one member from each congressional district and two members from the state at large.

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Senate File 2308 provides for the following changes to the Code of Iowa.

Page #	Line #	Bill Section	Action	Code Section	
1	3	1	Amend	15F.101.2	
1	7	2	Strike and Replace	15F.102	
3	13	3	Add	15F.103.3A,3B	
3	21	4	Amend	15F.104	
4	1	5	New	15F.107	
6	16	6	New	15F.108	
7	6	7	Amend	15F.203.1	
7	23	8	Strike	15F.204.8	
7	25	9	Amend	15F.304.1	
8	8	10	New	15F.401	
10	19	11	New	15F.401A	
11	13	12	New	15F.402	
12	3	13	Amend	12.71.1	
12	25	14	Amend	12.72.1	
13	10	15	Amend	12.75.1	
13	29	16	Amend	15.108.5.c	
14	10	17	Add	15E.321.3A	

1	1	DIVISION I
1	2	ENHANCE IOWA

- 1 3 Section 1. Section 15F.101, subsection 2, Code 2016, is
- 4 amended to read as follows:
- 1 5 2. "Board" means the vision enhance lowa board as created
- 1 6 in section 15F.102.
- 1 7 Sec. 2. Section 15F.102, Code 2016, is amended by striking
- 1 8 the section and inserting in lieu thereof the following:
- 1 9 15F.102 ENHANCE IOWA BOARD.
- 1 10 1. An enhance lowa board is established consisting of the
- 1 11 members described in subsection 2. The board is located within
- 1 12 the authority for administrative purposes. The director of the
- 1 13 authority shall provide office space, staff assistance, and
- 1 14 necessary supplies and equipment for the board. The director
- 1 15 shall budget moneys to cover the compensation and expenses
- 1 16 of the board. In performing its functions, the board is
- 1 17 performing a public function on behalf of the state and is a
- 1 18 public instrumentality of the state.
- 1 192. The board shall consist of the following voting members1 20 appointed by the governor:
- 1 21 a. Two members from each United States congressional
- 1 22 district in the state as established in section 40.1.
- 1 23 b. Three members from the state at large.
- 1 24 3. a. Of the voting members appointed pursuant to
- 25 subsection 2, the governor shall appoint the following:
- 1 26 (1) One person selected by the board of the lowa natural
- 1 27 heritage foundation.
- 1 28 (2) One person with professional experience in finance or
- 1 29 investment banking.
- 1 30 (3) One person with professional experience in the tourism
- 1 31 industry.
- 32 (4) One person with professional experience in
- 1 33 architecture, landscape architecture, or historic preservation.
- 1 34 (5) One person with professional experience in cultural
- 1 35 attractions and programming.
- 2 1 (6) Six persons actively employed in the private,
- 2 2 for-profit sector of the economy who have substantial expertise
- 2 3 in economic development.
- 2 4 b. The governor shall appoint the voting members pursuant to
- 2 5 subsection 2, subject to sections 69.16, 69.16A, and 69.16C,
- 2 6 and subject to confirmation by the senate.
- 2 7 c. The members appointed pursuant to subsection 2 shall
- 2 8 be appointed to two-year staggered terms and the terms shall

CODE: Changes the name of the Vision Iowa Board to the Enhance Iowa Board.

CODE: Specifies the Enhance Iowa Board (Board) is located within the Iowa Economic Development Authority (Authority) for administrative purposes and is a public instrumentality of the state. The Authority director is required to budget for the compensation and expenses of the Board.

DETAIL: The Board expenses are permitted to be paid from an allocation from a contingent appropriation made in this bill.

CODE: The Board will consist of 11 voting members. Specifies the term length of Board members and the procedure for replacing Board members. The Governor will appoint the voting members subject to the confirmation of the Senate. The procedure and terms for appointing four nonvoting members of the General Assembly is specified. The Board will also consist of an additional four nonvoting members. The Board will have a total of 19 members and a majority of the total voting membership of the Board will constitute a quorum.

- 2 9 commence and end as provided by section 69.19. If a vacancy
- 2 10 occurs, a successor shall be appointed to serve the unexpired
- 2 11 term. A successor shall be appointed in the same manner and
- 2 12 subject to the same qualifications as the original appointment
- 2 13 to serve the unexpired term.
- 2 14 4. In addition to the voting members, the membership of
- 2 15 the board shall include four members of the general assembly
- 2 16 with one member designated by each of the following: the
- 2 17 majority leader of the senate, the minority leader of the
- 2 18 senate, the speaker of the house of representatives, and the
- 2 19 minority leader of the house of representatives. A legislative
- 2 20 member serves for a term as provided in section 69.16B in an ex
- 2 21 officio, nonvoting capacity.
- 2 22 5. a. In addition to the voting members, the membership
- 2 23 of the board shall include the following ex officio, nonvoting
- 2 24 members:
- 2 25 (1) The director of the economic development authority or
- 2 26 the director's designee.
- 2 27 (2) The director of the department of transportation or the
- 2 28 director's designee.
- 2 29 (3) The director of the department of natural resources or
- 2 30 the director's designee.
- 2 31 (4) The director of the department of cultural affairs or
- 2 32 the director's designee.
- 2 33 b. A person serving as a designee pursuant to paragraph
- 2 34 "a" shall serve a one-year term as an ex officio, nonvoting
- 2 35 member of the board. A designee whose term has expired may be
- 3 1 redesignated.
- 3 2 6. The governor shall designate the chairperson and vice
- 3 chairperson of the board from the members appointed pursuant
- 3 4 to subsection 2. In the case of absence or disability of the
- 3 5 chairperson and vice chairperson, the members of the board
- 3 6 shall elect a temporary chairperson by a majority vote of those
- 3 7 members who are present and voting.
- 3 8 7. Each voting member of the board shall serve on two of
- 3 9 the four review committees referred to in sections 15F.108.
- 3 10 15F.203, 15F.304, and 15F.401A.
- 3 11 8. A majority of the total voting membership of the board
- 3 12 constitutes a quorum.

CODE: The Governor will designate the chairperson and vice chairperson.

CODE: Specifies each Board member will serve on two of the four review committees:

- Departmental Grant Application Review Committee.
- Community Attraction and Tourism Program Applications Review Committee.
- Vision Iowa Program Applications and the River Enhancement Community Attraction and Tourism Project Applications Review Committee.
- Sports Tourism Program Application Review Committee.

- 3 13 Sec. 3. Section 15F.103, Code 2016, is amended by adding the
- 3 14 following new subsections:
- 3 15 NEW SUBSECTION 3A. Oversee the administration by the
- 3 16 authority of the sports tourism program pursuant to this
- 3 17 chapter.
- 3 18 NEW SUBSECTION 3B. Oversee the administration of the river
- 3 19 enhancement community attraction and tourism program pursuant
- 3 20 to this chapter.
- 3 21 Sec. 4. Section 15F.104, Code 2016, is amended to read as
- 3 22 follows:
- 3 23 15F.104 AUTHORITY DUTIES.
- The authority, subject to approval by the board, shall
- 3 25 adopt administrative rules pursuant to chapter 17A necessary
- 3 26 to administer the community attraction and tourism program
- 3 27 and the vision lowa program the programs established pursuant
- 3 28 to this chapter. The authority shall provide the board with
- 3 29 assistance in implementing administrative functions, marketing
- 3 30 the programs, providing technical assistance and application
- 3 31 assistance to applicants under the programs, negotiating
- 3 32 contracts, and providing project follow-up. The authority,
- 3 33 in cooperation with the treasurer of state, may conduct
- 3 34 negotiations on behalf of the board with applicants regarding
- 3 35 terms and conditions applicable to awards under the programs.
- I 1 Sec. 5.NEW SECTION 15F.107 ENHANCE IOWA FUND AND
- 4 2 APPROPRIATION.
- 4 3 1. a. The authority shall establish a fund pursuant to
- 4 4 section 15.106A, subsection 1, paragraph "o", for purposes of
- 4 5 allocating moneys to the programs described in this section.
- 4 6 A fund established for purposes of this section may be
- 4 7 administered as a revolving fund and may consist of any moneys
- 4 8 appropriated by the general assembly for purposes of this
- 9 section and any other moneys that are lawfully available to the
- 4 10 authority.
- 4 11 b. Notwithstanding section 8.33, at the end of each fiscal
- 4 12 year moneys in a fund established for purposes of this section
- 4 13 shall not revert to any other fund but shall remain in the fund
- 4 14 for expenditure for subsequent fiscal years.
- 4 15 c. Notwithstanding section 12C.7, subsection 2, interest or
- 4 16 earnings on moneys in the fund shall be credited to the fund.
- 4 17 Repayments and recaptures of program moneys shall be credited
- 4 18 to the fund.
- 4 19 2. Commencing with appropriations made by this section for
- 4 20 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016, and for each fiscal
- 4 21 year thereafter, not to exceed a total of ten fiscal years,

CODE: Specifies the Board duties will include the oversight of the Sports Tourism Program and the River Enhancement Community Attraction and Tourism Program.

CODE: Technical changes.

Enhance Iowa Fund and Appropriation

CODE: Establishes the Enhance Iowa Fund (Fund) and makes a contingent appropriation. Permits the Fund to be administered as a revolving fund and specifies the Fund consists of moneys appropriated by the General Assembly and any other moneys available to the Authority. Moneys in the Fund do not revert and interest and earnings on the Fund are to be credited to the Fund along with any repayments or recaptures of program moneys.

CODE: Makes a contingent General Fund appropriation of \$25,000,000 to the Authority for deposit in the Fund. The appropriation is made only in a fiscal year if the maximum balance of the lowa Economic

- 4 22 if moneys are transferred to the general fund of the state
- 4 23 pursuant to section 8.55, subsection 2, paragraph "b", during
- 4 24 a fiscal year in an amount that exceeds one hundred million
- 4 25 dollars, there is appropriated from the general fund of the
- 4 26 state to the authority for deposit in the fund created pursuant
- 4 27 to subsection 1, for that fiscal year, twenty-five million
- 4 28 dollars to be used for the purposes designated in subsection 3.
- 4 29 3. For each fiscal year in which moneys are appropriated to
- 4 30 the fund pursuant to subsection 2, the authority shall allocate
- 4 31 the moneys in the fund for the following purposes and in the
- 4 32 following amounts:
- 4 33 a. For purposes of administration, marketing enhance lowa
- 4 34 programs, expenses, and compensation of board members, two
- 4 35 hundred fifty thousand dollars.
- 5 1 b. For deposit in the sports tourism program fund
- 5 2 established pursuant to section 15F.402, one million dollars.
- 5 3 c. For deposit in the community attraction and tourism fund
- 5 4 established pursuant to section 15F.204, three million dollars.
- 5 d. For deposit in the river enhancement community attraction
- 5 6 and tourism fund established pursuant to section 15F.205, three
- 5 7 million dollars.
- 5 8 e. For allocation as grants, at the discretion of the
- 5 9 board, to the department of natural resources, the department
- 5 10 of transportation, or the department of agriculture and land
- 5 11 stewardship as follows:
- 12 (1) For purposes of improving state parks infrastructure,
- 5 13 financing low head dam mitigation or removal projects, or
- 5 14 funding projects under the natural resources account created
- 5 15 in section 461.32 or projects under the local conservation
- 5 16 partnership account created in section 461.36, both in the
- 5 17 natural resources and outdoor recreation trust fund, two
- 5 18 million dollars.
- 5 19 (2) For purposes of funding projects under the watershed
- 5 20 protection account created in section 461.34 in the natural
- 5 21 resources and outdoor recreation trust fund, two million
- 5 22 dollars.
- 5 23 (3) For purposes of funding projects under the trails
- 5 24 account created in section 461.37 in the natural resources and
- 5 25 outdoor recreation trust fund, two million dollars.
- 5 26 (4) The departments of natural resources, transportation,
- 5 27 and agriculture and land stewardship shall submit applications
- 5 28 to the authority for each project to be funded pursuant to
- 5 29 this paragraph "e". The board shall prioritize the projects
- 5 30 and negotiate with the departments on which projects to fund

Emergency Fund is satisfied, any required transfers to the Taxpayer Trust Fund are satisfied as specified in Iowa Code section 8.55(2), and the amount available for transfer to the General Fund exceeds \$100,000,000. The first appropriation could be made for FY 2017 if the contingency is satisfied. The appropriations will continue until 10 appropriations have actually occurred totaling \$250,000,000.

DETAIL: It will not be known if the contingency is satisfied until December or January following the end of a fiscal year.

CODE: Specifies the allocation of the \$25,000,000 contingent appropriation as follows:

- \$250,000 for administration, marketing Enhance Iowa programs, expenses, and compensation of Enhance Iowa Board members.
- \$1,000,000 for the Sports Tourism Program Fund.
- \$3,000,000 for the Community Attraction and Tourism Fund.
- \$3,000,000 for the River Enhancement Community Attraction and Tourism Fund.
- \$6,000,000 for allocation as grants, at the discretion of the Enhance Iowa Board, to the Department of Natural Resources (DNR), the Department of Transportation, or the Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship. These departments are required to submit applications to the Authority for each project and the Enhance Iowa Board is required to prioritize the projects and negotiate with the departments on the projects to be funded. The allocations are as follows: \$2,000,000 for the improvement of state parks infrastructure, financing low head dam mitigation or removal projects, or funding projects under the Soil Conservation and Water Protection Account or the Local Conservation Partnership Account, created in the Natural Resources and Outdoor Recreation Trust Fund; \$2,000,000 for funding projects under the Watershed Protection Account created in the Natural Resources and Outdoor Recreation Trust Fund; \$2,000,000 for funding projects under the Trails Account created in the Natural Resources and Outdoor Recreation Trust Fund
- \$11,750,000 for allocation to the funds, programs, and purposes listed above at the discretion of the Board.

- 5 31 pursuant to this paragraph "e".
- 5 32 f. Upon review of individual applications, for allocation
- 5 33 to the funds, programs, and purposes described in paragraphs
- 5 34 "a" through "e", at the discretion of the board, eleven million
- 5 35 seven hundred fifty thousand dollars.
- 6 1 4. Moneys allocated pursuant to subsection 3, paragraphs "e"
- 6 2 and "f", to the department of natural resources shall not be
- 6 3 expended by the department for the purpose of acquiring lands,
- 6 4 waters, or interests in lands and waters.
- 5 5 5. If, at any point in a fiscal year, the board determines
- 6 6 that demand for any one of the purposes described in subsection
- 7 3 will not meet or exceed the amounts initially allocated, the
- 8 board may reallocate amounts from one purpose to any of the
- 6 9 other purposes for that fiscal year or may carry the moneys
- 6 10 allocated to any one purpose over to a future fiscal year for
- 6 11 that same purpose in the next fiscal year.
- 6 12 6. The authority shall submit a report to the general
- 6 13 assembly and the governor's office each year describing the use
- 6 14 of moneys appropriated pursuant to this section and the results
- 6 15 achieved under each of the programs receiving fund moneys.
- 6 16 Sec. 6.NEW SECTION 15F.108 DEPARTMENTAL GRANT APPLICATION
- 6 17 REVIEW.
- 6 18 1. Applications for grants under section 15F.107,
- 6 19 subsection 3, paragraph "e", shall be submitted to the
- 6 20 authority. For those applications that meet the eligibility
- 6 21 criteria, the authority shall forward the applications to the
- 6 22 board and provide a staff review analysis and evaluation to the
- 6 23 departmental grant application review committee referred to in
- 6 24 subsection 2 and to the board.
- 6 25 2. A review committee composed of six members shall review
- 6 26 departmental grant applications forwarded to the board and
- 6 27 make recommendations regarding the applications to the board.
- 6 28 The review committee shall consist of members of the board,
- 6 29 with one member from each congressional district under section
- 6 30 15F.102, subsection 2, paragraph "a", and two members from the
- 6 31 state at large under section 15F.102, subsection 2, paragraph
- 6 32 "b".
- 6 33 3. Upon review of the recommendations of the review
- 6 34 committee, the board shall approve, defer, or deny the
- 6 35 applications.
- 7 1 4. The board may require the departmental grant application

Prohibits any moneys allocated to the DNR from being expended for the purpose of acquiring lands, waters, or an interest in land or water.

Requires the Authority to submit an annual report to the General Assembly and the Governor's Office describing the use of funds and the results achieved.

Departmental Grant Application Review

CODE: Requires applications for Discretionary Departmental Grants to be submitted to the Authority. The Authority is to forward the applications that meet the eligibility criteria to the Enhance Iowa Board and provide a staff review analysis and evaluation to the Departmental Grant Application Review Committee.

CODE: Specifies the six members of the Departmental Grant Application Review Committee are to consist of one member from each congressional district and two members from the state at large.

CODE: Requires the Board to approve, defer, or deny applications.

CODE: Permits the Board to require the Departmental Grant

- 7 2 review committee to review and make recommendations for the
- 7 3 allocation and awarding of moneys under this chapter, except
- 7 4 that the review committee shall not review applications
- 7 5 provided for under sections 15F.203, 15F.304, and 15F.401.
- 7 6 Sec. 7. Section 15F.203, subsections 1 and 2, Code 2016, are
- 7 7 amended to read as follows:
- 7 8 1. Applications for assistance under the program shall
- 7 9 be submitted to the authority. For those applications that
- 7 10 meet the eligibility criteria, the authority shall forward the
- 7 11 applications to the board and provide a staff review analysis
- 7 12 and evaluation to the community attraction and tourism program
- 7 13 review committee referred to in subsection 2 and to the board.
- 7 14 2. A review committee composed of five members of the
- 7 15 board shall review community attraction and tourism program
- 7 16 applications submitted forwarded to the board and make
- 7 17 recommendations regarding the applications to the board. The
- 7 18 review committee shall consist of members of the board listed
- 7 19 in, with one member from each congressional district under
- 7 20 section 15F.102, subsection 2, paragraphs paragraph "a" through
- 7 21 "c", and one member from the state at large under section
- 7 22 15F.102, subsection 2, paragraph "b".
- 7 23 Sec. 8. Section 15F.204, subsection 8, Code 2016, is amended
- 7 24 by striking the subsection.
- 7 25 Sec. 9. Section 15F.304, subsections 1 and 2, Code 2016, are
- 7 26 amended to read as follows:
- 7 27 1. Applications for assistance under the program shall
- 7 28 be submitted to the authority. For those applications that
- 7 29 meet the eligibility criteria, the authority shall forward
- 7 30 the applications to the board and provide a staff review and
- 7 31 evaluation to the vision lowa program review committee referred
- 7 32 to in subsection 2 and to the board.
- 7 33 2. A review committee composed of eight six members of
- 7 34 the board shall review vision lowa program applications and
- 7 35 river enhancement community attraction and tourism project
- 8 1 applications submitted forwarded to the board and make
- 8 2 recommendations regarding the applications to the board. The
- 8 3 review committee shall consist of members of the board listed
- 8 4 in, with one member from each congressional district under
- 8 5 section 15F.102, subsection 2, paragraphs "d" through "h"
- 8 6 paragraph "a", and two members from the state at large under
- 7 section 15F.102, subsection 2, paragraph "b".
- 8 8 Sec. 10.NEW SECTION 15F.401 SPORTS TOURISM PROGRAM.

Application Review Committee to review and make recommendations for allocating awards for Discretionary Departmental Grants.

CODE: Specifies the five members of the Community Attraction and Tourism Program Application Review Committee will consist of one member from each congressional district and one member from the state at large.

CODE: Technical correction.

CODE: Specifies the six members of the Vision Iowa Program Applications and River Enhancement Community Attraction and Tourism Project Applications Review Committee will consist of one member from each congressional district and two members from the state at large.

Sports Tourism Program

CODE: Requires the Authority to establish and administer, at the

- 8 10 of the board, shall administer a sports tourism program to
- 8 11 provide financial assistance for projects that promote sporting
- 8 12 events for accredited colleges and universities and other
- 8 13 sporting events in the state.
- 8 14 b. For purposes of this section:
- 8 15 (1) "District" means a regional sports authority district
- 8 16 certified under section 15E.321.
- 8 17 (2) "Financial assistance" means assistance provided only
- 3 18 from the funds, rights, and assets legally available to the
- 8 19 authority or the board and includes but is not limited to
- 8 20 assistance in the form of grants, loans, and forgivable loans.
- 8 21 c. The authority, by rule, shall define "accredited colleges
- 8 22 and universities", in consultation with the college student aid
- 8 23 commission.
- 8 24 2. a. A city or county in the state or a public
- 8 25 organization, including a convention and visitors bureau or a
- 8 26 district, may apply to the authority for financial assistance
- 8 27 for a project that actively and directly promotes sporting
- 8 28 events for accredited colleges and universities and other
- 8 29 sporting events in the area served by the city, county, or
- 8 30 public organization.
- 8 31 b. A city, county, or public organization may apply for and
- 8 32 receive financial assistance for more than one project.
- 33 c. A city, county, or public organization may apply for
- 8 34 financial assistance for a project that spans multiple fiscal
- 35 years or may apply for renewal of financial assistance awarded
- 9 1 in a prior year if all applicable contractual requirements are
- 9 2 met. The decision as to whether to renew an award shall be
- 3 at the discretion of the board. The board may adopt by rule
- 9 4 certain metrics and return on investment estimates for purposes
- 5 of this paragraph. The authority may include such metrics and
- 9 6 estimates in a program agreement executed pursuant to this
- 9 7 section.
- 9 8 d. A convention and visitors bureau may apply to the
- 9 9 authority for financial assistance pursuant to this section and
- 9 10 a district may apply to the authority for district financial
- 9 11 assistance, but a convention and visitors bureau shall not in
- 9 12 the same year receive financial assistance under the program
- 9 13 created in this section and financial assistance as part of a
- 9 14 district.
- 9 15 3. The authority shall process applications under this
- 9 16 section in accordance with this section and section 15F.401A.

direction of the Board, a Sports Tourism Program for the purpose of providing financial assistance for projects that promote sporting events for accredited colleges and universities and other sporting events in the state.

CODE: Defines a District as a Sports Authority District certified by the Authority.

CODE: Defines financial assistance as grants, loans, and forgivable loans.

CODE: Requires the Authority to define accredited colleges and universities in consultation with the College Student Aid Commission.

CODE: Specifies the terms and conditions for cities, counties, visitor bureaus, and districts to receive financial assistance for projects that actively and directly promote sporting events for accredited colleges and universities and other sporting events.

- 9 17 4. An applicant shall demonstrate matching funds in order
- 9 18 to receive financial assistance pursuant to this section. The
- 9 19 amount of matching funds that may be required shall be at the
- 9 20 board's discretion. The board may waive this requirement for
- 9 21 good cause shown.
- 9 22 5. The board shall make final funding decisions on
- 9 23 each application and may approve, deny, defer, or modify
- 9 24 applications for financial assistance under the program, in
- 9 25 its discretion, in order to fund as many projects with the
- 9 26 moneys available as possible. The board and the authority may
- 9 27 negotiate with applicants regarding the details of projects and
- 9 28 the amount and terms of any award. In making final funding
- 9 29 decisions pursuant to this subsection, the board and the
- 9 30 authority are exempt from chapter 17A.
- 9 31 6. a. A city, county, or public organization may use
- 9 32 financial assistance received under the program for marketing,
- 9 33 promotions, and infrastructure. Whether an activity or
- 9 34 individual cost item is directly related to the promotion
- 9 35 of the sporting event shall be within the discretion of the
- 10 1 authority.
- 10 2 b. All applications to the authority for financial
- 10 3 assistance shall be made at least ninety days prior to an
- 10 4 event's scheduled date. A city, county, or public organization
- 10 5 shall not use financial assistance received under the program
- 10 6 as reimbursement for completed projects.
- 10 7 7. An applicant receiving financial assistance shall
- 10 8 provide an annual report to the authority for years in which it
- 10 9 receives financial assistance under this section. The report
- 10 10 shall include the information the authority deems relevant.
- 10 11 8. Each applicant receiving an award of financial
- 10 12 assistance from the board shall enter into an agreement with
- 10 13 the authority. The agreement shall contain such terms and
- 10 14 conditions as the board may place on the award or the authority
- 10 15 may deem necessary for the efficient administration of the
- 10 16 program established in this subchapter.
- 10 17 9. The authority, with the approval of the board, shall
- 10 18 adopt rules for the administration of this subchapter.

10 19 Sec. 11.NEW SECTION 15F.401A SPORTS TOURISM PROGRAM

10 20 APPLICATION REVIEW.

CODE: Specifies the Enhance Iowa Board's requirements and authority as it relates to funding decisions and exempts the Board from the requirements of the Iowa Administrative Procedures Act.

CODE: Specifies an entity receiving financial assistance is allowed to use the funds for marketing, promotions, and infrastructure.

CODE: Requires all applications to be made at least 90 days prior to a scheduled event date and prohibits financial assistance as reimbursement for completed projects.

CODE: Requires recipients of financial assistance to provide the Authority with an annual report, as specified by the Authority, for each year financial assistance is received.

CODE: Requires each applicant receiving an award to enter into an agreement with the Authority as specified by the Enhance Iowa Board and the Authority.

CODE: Requires the Authority, with approval of the Enhance Iowa Board, to adopt rules for the administration of the Sports Tourism Program.

Sports Tourism Program Application Review

- 10 21 1. Applications for assistance under the sports tourism
- 10 22 program shall be submitted to the authority. For those
- 10 23 applications that meet the eligibility criteria, the authority
- 10 24 shall forward the applications to the board and provide a staff
- 10 25 review analysis and evaluation to the sports tourism program
- 10 26 review committee referred to in subsection 2 and to the board.
- 10 27 2. A review committee composed of five members of the board
- 10 28 shall review sports tourism program applications forwarded to
- 10 29 the board and make recommendations regarding the applications
- 10 30 to the authority. The review committee shall consist of
- 10 31 members of the board, with one member from each congressional
- 10 32 district under section 15F.102, subsection 2, paragraph "a",
- 10 33 and one member from the state at large under section 15F.102,
- 10 34 subsection 2, paragraph "b".
- 10 35 3. When reviewing the applications, the review committee
- 11 1 and the authority shall consider, at a minimum, all of the
- 11 2 following:
- 11 3 a. Impact of the project on the local, regional, and state
- 11 4 economies.
- 11 5 b. Potential to attract lowans and out-of-state visitors.
- 11 6 c. Amount of positive advertising or media coverage the
- 1 7 project generates.
- 11 8 d. Quality, size, and scope of the project.
- 11 9 e. Ratio of public-to-private investment.
- 11 10 4. Upon review of the recommendations of the review
- 11 11 committee, the board shall approve, defer, or deny the
- 11 12 applications in accordance with section 15F.401.
- 11 13 Sec. 12.NEW SECTION 15F.402 SPORTS TOURISM PROGRAM FUND.
- 11 14 1. a. The authority shall establish a fund pursuant to
- 11 15 section 15.106A, subsection 1, paragraph "o", for purposes
- 11 16 of financing sports tourism projects as described in this
- 11 17 subchapter. The fund established for purposes of this section
- 11 18 may be administered as a revolving fund and may consist of any
- 11 19 moneys appropriated by the general assembly for purposes of
- 11 20 this section and any other moneys that are lawfully available
- 11 21 to the authority.
- 11 22 b. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys in a fund
- 11 23 established for purposes of this section at the end of each
- 11 24 fiscal year shall not revert to any other fund but shall remain
- 11 25 in the fund for expenditure for subsequent fiscal years.
- 11 26 c. Notwithstanding section 12C.7, subsection 2, interest or
- 11 27 earnings on moneys in the fund shall be credited to the fund.
- 11 28 2. a. Moneys in the fund are appropriated to the

CODE: Requires applications for Sports Tourism Program grants to be submitted to the Authority. The Authority is to forward the applications that meet the eligibility criteria to the Enhance Iowa Board and provide a staff review analysis and evaluation to the Sports Tourism Application Review Committee.

CODE: Specifies the five members of the Sports Tourism Program Application Review Committee are to consist of one member from each congressional district and one member from the state at large.

CODE: Specifies the minimum review criteria to be used by the Sports Tourism Program Application Review Committee.

CODE: Requires the Board to approve, defer, or deny applications for Sports Tourism Program funding.

Sports Tourism Program Fund

CODE: Establishes the Sports Tourism Fund to consist of funds appropriated to the Authority for the purpose of providing financial assistance to cities, counties, and public organizations under the Sports Tourism Program. Permits the Fund to be administered as a revolving fund. Funds do not revert and interest and earnings on the Fund are to be credited to the Fund.

11 11 11 11 11 11	29 30 31 32 33 34 35	authority for purposes of providing financial assistance to cities, counties, and public organizations under the sports tourism program established and administered pursuant to this subchapter. b. The board in its discretion shall allocate the available moneys in the fund among the programs described in paragraph "a" in the amounts determined by the board.
12 12	1 2	DIVISION II CONFORMING PROVISIONS
12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 12 1	3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25	Sec. 13. Section 12.71, subsection 1, Code 2016, is amended to read as follows: 1. The treasurer of state may issue bonds upon the request of the vision enhance lowa board created in section 15F.102 and do all things necessary with respect to the purposes of the vision lowa fund. The treasurer of state shall have all of the powers which are necessary to issue and secure bonds and carry out the purposes of the fund. The treasurer of state may issue bonds in principal amounts which, in the opinion of the board, are necessary to provide sufficient funds for the vision lowa fund created in section 12.72, the payment of interest on the bonds, the establishment of reserves to secure the bonds, the costs of issuance of the bonds, other expenditures of the treasurer of state incident to and necessary or convenient to carry out the bond issue for the fund, and all other expenditures of the board necessary or convenient to administer the fund; provided, however, excluding the issuance of refunding bonds, bonds issued pursuant to this section shall not be issued in an aggregate principal amount which exceeds three hundred million dollars. The bonds are investment securities and negotiable instruments within the meaning of and for purposes of the uniform commercial code, chapter 554. Sec. 14. Section 12.72, subsection 1, Code 2016, is amended
	26 27	to read as follows: 1. A vision lowa fund is created and established as a
12	28	separate and distinct fund in the state treasury. The moneys
	29 30	in the fund are appropriated to the vision enhance lowa board for purposes of the vision lowa program established in
12		section 15F.302. Moneys in the fund shall not be subject to
		appropriation for any other purpose by the general assembly,
12		but shall be used only for the purposes of the vision lowa
12	34	fund. The treasurer of state shall act as custodian of the
12	35	fund and disburse moneys contained in the fund as directed
13	1	by the vision enhance lowa board, including automatic
13	2	disbursements of funds received pursuant to the terms of bond
13	3	indentures and documents and security provisions to trustees.
13	4	The fund shall be administered by the vision enhance lowa

CODE: Provides conforming statutory changes to convert the name of the Vision Iowa Board to the Enhance Iowa Board. A change is also made to permit Regional Sports Authority Districts to apply for funding from the Sports Tourism Program.

- 13 5 board which shall make expenditures from the fund consistent
- 13 6 with the purposes of the vision lowa program without further
- 13 7 appropriation. An applicant under the vision lowa program
 - 8 8 shall not receive more than seventy-five million dollars in
- 13 9 financial assistance from the fund.
- 13 10 Sec. 15. Section 12.75, subsection 1, Code 2016, is amended
- 13 11 to read as follows:
- 13 12 1. The vision enhance lows board may undertake a project
- 13 13 for two or more applicants jointly or for any combination
- 13 14 of applicants, and may combine for financing purposes, with
- 13 15 the consent of all of the applicants which are involved, the
- 13 16 project and some or all future projects of any applicant, and
- 13 17 sections 12.71, 12.72, and 12.74, this section, and sections
- 13 18 12.76 and 12.77 apply to and for the benefit of the vision
- 13 19 enhance lowa board and the joint applicants. However, the
- 13 20 money set aside in a fund or funds pledged for any series or
- 13 21 issue of bonds or notes shall be held for the sole benefit
- 13 22 of the series or issue separate and apart from money pledged
- 13 23 for another series or issue of bonds or notes of the treasurer
- 13 24 of state. To facilitate the combining of projects, bonds or
- 13 25 notes may be issued in series under one or more resolutions or
- 3 26 trust agreements and may be fully open-ended, thus providing
- 13 27 for the unlimited issuance of additional series, or partially
- 13 28 open-ended, limited as to additional series.
- 13 29 Sec. 16. Section 15.108, subsection 5, paragraph c, Code
- 13 30 2016, is amended to read as follows:
- 13 31 c. Coordinate and develop with the department of
- 13 32 transportation, the department of natural resources, the
- 13 33 department of cultural affairs, the vision enhance lowar
- 13 34 board, other state agencies, and local and regional entities
- 3 35 public interpretation, marketing, and education programs that
- 14 1 encourage lowans and out-of-state visitors to participate in
- 14 2 the recreational and leisure opportunities available in Iowa.
- 14 3 The authority shall establish and administer a program that
- 14 4 helps connect both lowa residents and residents of other states
- 14 5 to new and existing lowa experiences as a means to enhance the
- 14 6 economic, social, and cultural well-being of the state. The
- 14 7 program shall include a broad range of new opportunities, both
- 14 8 rural and urban, including main street destinations, green
- 14 9 space initiatives, and artistic and cultural attractions.
- 14 10 Sec. 17. Section 15E.321, Code 2016, is amended by adding
- 14 11 the following new subsection:
- 14 12 NEW SUBSECTION 3A. Each district may apply for and
- 14 13 receive financial assistance under the sports tourism program
- 14 14 established by the authority pursuant to section 15F.401.
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14 17 Sec. 18. BOARD COOPERATION — TRANSITION PROVISIONS. The

- 14 18 economic development authority shall ensure the effective
- 14 19 transition of powers and duties from the vision lowa board
- 14 20 to the enhance lowa board in implementing this Act. In the
- 14 21 interest of maintaining the institutional knowledge possessed
- 14 22 by members of the vision lowa board, it is the intent of the
- 14 23 general assembly that the governor should appoint at least
- 14 24 three but not more than seven members of the vision lowa board
- 14 25 in existence on June 30, 2016, to the enhance lowa board. The
- 14 26 initial members of the enhance lowa board shall be appointed by
- 14 27 September 1, 2016.

CODE: Requires the Authority to transition the powers and duties from the Vision Iowa Board to the Enhance Iowa Board and requires the initial members of the Enhance Iowa Board to be appointed by September 1, 2016. Specifies the intent of the General Assembly that the Governor appoint at least three, but not more than seven, members of the Vision Iowa Board to the Enhance Iowa Board.